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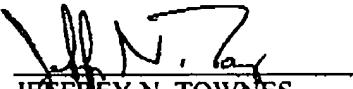
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment and response for this application.

FEES

The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed September 20, 2005, Applicants request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Applicants believe that the amendments place the application in condition for allowance or in better condition for appeal, thus entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

A complete listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.